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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **MIHARA, Toshiyuki, et al.**

Group Art Unit: 1795

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FOR: **THERMOELECTRIC CONVERSION ELEMENT AND THERMOELECTRIC CONVERSION MODULE**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

**- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -**  
**GROUP ART UNIT 1795**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 24, 2008

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **July 24, 2008**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.